

**Room 2 Newsletter Term 4 2014**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It was a bit wet and windy, but it was great to see plenty of sunshine too during the holidays. Hopefully your family was able to take advantage of it.

This Thursday is Calf Club Day. Children not involved will be busy with other activities. Please take particular note of the attached letter so your child is prepared.

We warmly welcome a number of new children to our class this term. The class is reasonably large now and this will be a busy term, so we all need to work together to help these new ones and their parents feel at home.

Just a few reminders…

**Homework:**

Your child will usually bring   
home two reading books to share  
 with you, as well as their poem book.   
Please share their reading and sign   
their homework notebook. The readers and poem book must be returned every day; otherwise your child will not be issued with new ones. There may be Religious Education homework to complete and this book must also be returned to school the next day. Bookbags are very important for protecting reading books and homework.

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**Money:**

Please put any money your child   
brings to school in an envelope   
(a used one is fine) with their name, amount and purpose written on the outside to be posted in the banking box just inside the entrance to the office.

N.B. Lunch orders for Friday must now be made by **Thursday,** using the proper envelopes and with the correct money enclosed. These are posted in the lunch order box at the office.

**Toys**

Toys, other than balls and tennis racquets (named), are not to be brought to school.

**Library:**

Our library day is Wednesday.   
Please ensure your child   
brings his/her book to school.

**Clothing:**

All clothing needs to be **named**,  
including P.E. gear and under-  
wear.

This term all children are expected   
to wear **hats**. Those without hats will be allowed to play only in shaded areas of the Junior courtyard during morning tea and lunch breaks.

**Absences:**

If your child is not going to be at school, please inform the office before school starts so we know that he/she is safe.

**Study Topics:**

Inquiry Learning: Social Sciences- Mothers and Fathers- What they do and why they are important to us (including other carers in our lives at home and at school).

R.E.: Prayer, Mary, Advent, Christmas

P.E.: Run Jump Throw (Athletics), Tabloid Games

Maths: Number; Geometry- 2-D Shapes; Measurement- Length

The Arts: Print making

Thank you for your support.

God Bless

Judy Graham

**Letter of the Week:**

Each week we focus on a new alphabet letter. Children are encouraged to bring something starting with that letter for our display table. If your child is unsure of that letter and the sound it makes, here’s an opportunity to do some fun activities about it at home (Refer to your child’s alphabet card for ideas).

**New Entrant Wikispace:**

This can be found at <http://nestpats.wikispaces.com>

**Email Contact**

If you wish to be contacted by email for any reason, please send you preferred email address to [judy@stpatta.co.nz](mailto:judy@stpatta.co.nz) .